House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 36 public bills, H.R. 6092–6127; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 86; and H. Res. 886–887, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 5581, to clarify the rights of all persons who are held or detained at a port of entry or at any detention facility overseen by U.S. Customs and Border Protection or U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–412, Part 1); and

H.R. 2214, to transfer and limit Executive Branch authority to suspend or restrict the entry of a class of aliens, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–413, Part 1).

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Kim to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Kevin F. O'Brien, S.J., Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, California. Page H1507

Recess: The House recessed at 9:57 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. Pages H1514-15

Rights for Transportation Security Officers Act of 2020: The House passed H.R. 1140, to enhance the security operations of the Transportation Security Administration and stability of the transportation security workforce by applying the personnel system under title 5, United States Code, to employees of the Transportation Security Administration who provide screening of all passengers and property, by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 90. Consideration began yesterday, March 4th.

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Agreed to the Lesko motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Homeland Security with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 89. Subsequently, Representative Thompson (MS) reported the bill back to the House with the amendment and the amendment was agreed to.

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Agreed to:

Rogers (AL) amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 116–411) that requires GAO to study rates of pay for Transportation Security Administration employees with duty stations in the territories, Alaska,

and Hawaii with those in the contiguous 48 states based on pay systems; Pages H1509–10

Rose (NY) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 116–411) that states that nothing in this Act shall be construed as to contradict existing law regarding terrorism transcending national boundaries, harboring or concealing terrorists, or providing material support to terrorists;

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Peters amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 116–411) that requires a GAO report to Congress within one year of enactment, studying TSA's recruitment efforts in general, and specifically efforts to recruit veterans and military families; the report will include recommendations to improve such recruitment efforts;

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Brown (MD) amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 116–411) that reaffirms that the Transportation Security Administration's workforce should be provided protections and benefits under Title 5 because of the critical role they play in securing the nation's transportation systems; Pages H1511–12

Kim amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 116–411) that directs the TSA Administrator to engage and consult with entities associated with the Federal Air Marshal Service to address concerns related to (but not limited to) mental health, suicide, morale, and recruitment; Pages H1512–13

Spanberger amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 116–411) that codifies the Administration's ban on TSA employees using or installing the Chinese-owned video app TikTok (or any successor application) on U.S. Government-issued mobile devices;

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Cisneros amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 116–411) that requires the Secretary of Homeland Security to prioritize the hiring of veterans and related preference eligible individuals, including disabled veterans and widows or widowers of veterans, for positions within the Transportation Security Administration (by a recorded vote of 399 ayes to 1 no, Roll No. 87); and

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Mucarsel-Powell amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 116–411) that would ensure the Administrator of TSA in coordination with the Director of CDC and NIAID shall ensure that TSA employees are provided the proper guidance regarding prevention and protections against coronavirus, including guidance and resources (by a recorded vote of 403 ayes with none voting "no", Roll No. 88).

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H. Res. 877, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1140) was agreed to yesterday, March 4th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Monday, March 9th for Morning Hour debate.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to Venezuela that was declared in Executive Order 13692 of March 8, 2015 is to continue in effect beyond March 8, 2020—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–105). Page H1530

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1515–16, H1516–17, H1518, and H1518–19. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM (DHP)

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing entitled "Defense Health Program (DHP)". Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General R. Scott Dingle, Surgeon General of the U.S. Army; Rear Admiral Bruce L. Gillingham, Surgeon General of the U.S. Navy; Lieutenant General Dorothy A. Hogg, Surgeon General of the U.S. Air Force; Thomas McCaffery, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs; Lieutenant General Ronald J. Place, Director, Defense Health Agency; and Bill Tinston, Program Executive Officer, Defense Healthcare Management Systems.

THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 ARMY AND MARINE CORPS GROUND MODERNIZATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing entitled "The Fiscal Year 2021 Army and Marine Corps Ground Modernization Programs". Testimony was heard from Bruce Jette, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (ASA(ALT)), Department of the Army; General John M. Murray, U.S. Army, Commanding General, Army Futures Command; Lieutenant General James F. Pasquarette, Deputy Chief of Staff, G–8, Department of the Army; Lieutenant General Eric M. Smith, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command and Deputy Commandant for Combat Development and Integration, U.S. Ma-

rine Corps; and James F. Geurts, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisition, Department of the Navy.

PRESIDENTIAL CLEMENCY AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties held a hearing entitled "Presidential Clemency and Opportunities for Reform". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BEYOND CORONAVIRUSES: UNDERSTANDING THE SPREAD OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND MOBILIZING INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Beyond Coronaviruses: Understanding the Spread of Infectious Diseases and Mobilizing Innovative Solutions". Testimony was heard from Suzan Murray, Program Director, Smithsonian Global Health Program, Smithsonian's National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute; and public witnesses.

GETTING IT RIGHT: CHALLENGES WITH THE GO-LIVE OF ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD MODERNIZATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a hearing entitled "Getting It Right: Challenges with the Go-live of Electronic Health Record Modernization". Testimony was heard from Melissa Glynn, Assistant Secretary for Enterprise Integration, Office of Enterprise Integration, Department of Veterans Affairs; David Case, Deputy Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and a public witness.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.